GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

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PRODUCTION OF SUGAR
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the estimated production and consumption of sugar in the country during the current year;

(b) whether the production is likely to exceed the earlier estimates;

(c) if so, whether the increased production would ease the price of sugar;

(d) whether the price of sugar has continued to increase despite the increased production;

(e) if so, the reasons therefor;

(f) whether complaints of unauthorised export of sugar was received from various parts of the country; and

(g) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH)

(a),(b)&(c): The preliminary estimates of sugar production and consumption during the current 2006-07 sugar season (October - September) are placed at about 227 lac tons and 190 lac tons, respectively. It is too early to say if the production of sugar would exceed 227 lac tons. However, with enough availability of sugar in the country, the prices of sugar are expected to remain at reasonable level.

(d): No, Sir.

(e): Does not arise.

(f): No, Sir.

(g): Does not arise.